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In re Patent Application of:
John Adam Meyers et al.

Application No.: 09/104,788

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Art Unit: 3672

For: DRILL BIT WITH LARGE INSERTS

Examiner: H. C. Dang

REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Dear Sir:

Applicant hereby petitions for a one month extension of time to and including January 23, 2005 to respond to the Office Action mailed September 23, 2004.

This petition is being filed in order to ensure copendency with application being filed concurrently herewith.

In the event that a further petition for an extension of time is required to be submitted at this time, applicant hereby petitions under 37 CFR 1.136(a) for an extension of time for as many months as are required to ensure that the above-identified application does not become abandoned.

Please charge our Credit Card in the amount of \$120.00 covering the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(a)(1). Credit Card Payment Form SB-2038, with a signature from an authorized cardholder, is enclosed. The Director is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in the fees

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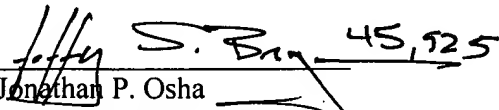
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filed, asserted to be filed or which should have been filed herewith to our Deposit Account No. 50-0591, under Order No. 05516/179001. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed.

Dated: January 20, 2005

Respectfully submitted,

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